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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Shigeyuki MARUYAMA et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2815**

Application Number: **09/577,932**

Examiner: **Chris C. Chu**

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Confirmation Number: **4823**

For: **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN ALIGNMENT MARK FORMED BY  
THE SAME MATERIAL WITH A METAL POST**

Attorney Docket Number: **000663**

Customer Number: **38834**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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April 6, 2006

Sir:

Subsequent to issuance of a Notice of Allowance in the above-referenced application, the following amendment and remarks are respectfully submitted.

Amendment to the Drawing begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.